

1022
A
LETTER
OF
RICHARD BROTHERS,
(PRINCE OF THE HEBREWS)
TO
PHILIP STEPHENS, Esq.
WITH THE
ANSWER.
A COPIOUS
INDEX
TO BOTH PARTS OF
MR. BROTHERS'S PROPHECIES.
AND ALSO A
TABLE
OF
TEXTS OF SCRIPTURE
QUOTED.
WITH AN
ACCOUNT
OF THE
PROPHECIES FULFILLED.

LONDON:

PRINTED FOR G. KIEBAU, BOOKSELLER TO THE PRINCE OF THE
HEBREWS, NO. 439, STRAND, NEAR BUCKINGHAM-STREET,

1795.

[PRICE SIX-PENCE.]

W. T. H. & CO.
RICHARD BROTHERS

PHILIP STREET

W. D. E. X

MR. BROTHERS

THE

A. C. O. U. N. T.

BROTHERS LIMITED

LONDON

PRINTED BY THE LONDON AND WESTMINSTER LITHOGRAPHIC CO. LTD. 15, ABchurch Lane, LONDON, E.C. 4.

[RECEIVED]

THE FOLLOWING

L E T T E R S

Were in the PUBLIC ADVERTISER of September, 1790.

Thursday, Sept. 9, 1790.

To PHILIP STEPHENS, Esq. Admiralty Office.

SIR,

To avoid the imputation of appearing troublesome, I waited a considerable time after the half-pay was advertised, that a very just application, tho' I believe unprecedented, shall not displease the Admiralty. Government is in my debt to a much greater amount than twelve months; and altho' I have not enjoyed any emolument, perquisite, or profit, from any business or employment whatever, the only reason advanced for detaining my property, is the want of being qualified every six months, by swearing to the contents of a certificate as the result of my own pleasure and inclination, when an order of council commands me, and absolutely prohibits the payment until I do.

A voluntary act is an avowed freedom of choice, and under that denomination cannot, to swear justly, admit the influence of a compulsory order; but I am not allowed any choice, swear I must, and swear the oath I take is not enforced by order, compulsion, or necessity, but a voluntary act of my own, received with equal freedom

dom as the air I breathe; and as an indemnification for imposing an improper oath, I am obliged by the same rule to leave my signature duly attested by a magistrate as a record, certainly not of superior wisdom. To swear, then, agreeably to the prescribed form laid down by the privy council, is obvious to the plainest capacity a surreptitious oath, concealing its deformity under that mild appellation: for I, hope no man is so far lost to all sense of virtue, as to prefer taking an idle oath of this kind, or any other description, when permitted an option by the very word voluntary, to decline it.

Instructed from my infancy to guard against falsehood, as the most poisonous evil that can possibly invade the human mind, and to court truth as the most beautiful of all moral virtues, I view an oath as the most awful and solemn appeal which a man can possibly make: the present judges say it should be administered with caution, and never repeated except when pressing necessity requires! for this reason, an oath before them is a public bond of true evidence; tear away the solemnity by habitual practice, the sacred barrier falls to the ground, and every man enters wild and lawless on the common of perjury.

It was the language of Mr. Pitt, in the House of Commons, (I ask pardon for the introduction of his name) when a clause was offered for a certain bill late in the last session, recommending an annual oath, or thereabouts, as necessary for the better payment of that part of the revenue it went to describe, his answer was, such a multiplication of oaths tended to destroy every public principle, promote fraud and perjury, more than any immediate benefit to the Exchequer could possibly compensate to Society. I lament, sentiments equally discerning and honourable do not adorn the heart of every man.

Having served under three commanders, not less amiable in private life than eminently conspicuous on the list of professional merit, their parental precepts, their example of rectitude and manners, remain still as an admonishing lesson of advice never to be departed from. To drink from a foul stream in preference to a clear fountain, for no other reason than a multitude being constantly led by

official

official persuasion to do so, without once deigning to examine the contaminated source it flowed from, or, as a gentleman in the commission of the peace observed to me with evident marks of displeasure, "what business have you to object against it, when others do it?" would be treating every faculty with ingratitude, and manifest an open indifference for the good of knowledge.

I can pass by the oath; it is frequently done; the terms are low, safe, and practicably easy; for it is inconsistent with common sense to take a voluntary oath as an act of necessity; it is a bad doctrine that goes to obliterate the terror of iniquity by habitual repetition, and actually libels the propriety of justice; but to be forced in any manner, and swear to the contrary; or if the fraud was discovered, I believe it would torture the invention of the most learned disquisitor to frame a prosecution for counterfeiting a forced, unjust, nominal, voluntary oath. To me, the evasion would be dishonourable, and amount to a crime of equal magnitude as embracing the evil I complain of.

Profane swearing or any other description of idle oaths, as a passport to receive those wages the law, reason, and equity, does not allow the detention of, under any pretence, in the most uncivilized countries, is forcing a man privately by the most cruel of all tortures, to the commission of iniquity, without being able to advance even a plausible reason in its defence: for I observe, it is not for the prevention of fraud to the revenue, or to prevent that kind of emolument in future, which it goes back to discover, neither is it to prohibit an officer from wandering abroad, when liable to be called for at home, but for a purpose which may be guessed at—delicacy will not allow me to mention.

At any rate, as men of more liberal and independent characters now fill the departments of State, than at the period which gave birth to this curious order, the intention it was introduced for is now done away, consequently a continuance of it is entirely unnecessary: notwithstanding the remote period of its formation, those who advised it, were in some degree sensible that a public oath could not be imposed on any part of the community beyond the walls of

the council chamber, unless specially introduced and authorised by act of parliament, or so great a people would never attempt to conceal the imbecillity of a measure, and fritter away their own power, by retiring behind the specious form of 'this deponent voluntarily makes oath,' when an absolute order was in force to carry it into execution, or stop the payment of wages until it was obeyed.

If I am to be precluded from all use of my property, because I do not implicitly swear to error and contradiction, under the vain idea of compulsion being an ample shield against the disgrace of swearing improperly, and that the enormity would revert on those who imposed it, such language is beneath any man that had understanding to perceive, tho' not fortitude to oppose; clothed with the benign hand of providence with health and strength, necessity shall never compel me to look for it by any way dishonourable to myself, or repugnant to the nicest laws of equity.

If this is true, virtue animates the hero, and emulation is meritorious in the youth, if vice is ugly, and falsehood a deformity: as a senator, and a man of sense, the good of the Navy, the benefit of your country, call on you to attempt the extirpation of a custom dishonourable to God, and reproachable to man.

I am, Sir, with great respect,

Your very humble servant,

R. BROTHERS.

No. 5, Beaufort-Buildings
Strand.

"WESTMINSTER, } "This deponent, A. B. Lieutenant in his
To WIT. } "Majesty's Navy, voluntarily maketh oath,
"That he hath not received the benefit of
"any public employment, either at sea or on
"shore between the 1st of July, 1789, and
"the 31st of December, 1790.

(Signed)

"A. B."

Sworn this
17 before

day of

O. P. Justice.

Admiralty Office, July 10, 1790.

SIR,

IN return to your three letters, dated 25th of May, 29th June, and the 8th instant, on the subject of the oath required to be taken for the payment of your half-pay, and requesting, for the reasons mentioned in your said letters, to be relieved therefrom, I am commanded, by my Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, to acquaint you that the order of the council for establishing half-pay requires that oath be taken, and that their Lordships are not authorised to dispense with your not taking it.

I am, Sir,

Your very humble servant,

PHILIP STEPHENS.

(5)

1797

INDEX
TO THE
PROPHECIES
OF

RICHARD BROTHERS.

*The Reader will please to correct with his Pen the Pages, according
to the different Editions—this being for the Last.*

PART I.

PAGE

ADMIRALTY to be shook in Pieces	—	61
Pref. i. 3. 50. Age (the TRUE) of the World		34
America will declare War against England		31
Army (the English) will be surrounded	—	13
— (Emperor's) overthrown in the Netherlands, 12. in Italy		16
Baptism, and xxxix Articles, Observations on		103
43. 57. Babylon, meaning London	—	30. 53. 60
45. 57. 61. 67. — Rome	—	30. 53
Bear, the present Empress of Russia	—	11
Beast with Ten Horns (Daniel vii. 7.) the present Em- peror of Germany	—	12
57. 59 Blasphemy	—	16. 86. 97. 101
— against the Holy Ghost	—	62
Bishops (their Titles) false Prophets	—	93. 97

I N D E X.

9

PART I. PAGE

PART II. PAGE

52	BROTHERS, a Lieutenant (<i>Court Calendar, Jan. 3, 1783</i>)	iv. 50
—	his First Calling in 1790	57
—	in Prison. Insulted, Despised, &c.	44. 67. 76
—	daily Abused	86
—	Relieved by Isabella Wake	53
8	the Appointed Person	
44	displeases God (<i>See Mrs. Green's Testimony</i>)	
—	Intercedes with God for London	43. 44
—	at the House of Commons, May 17, 1792	24
—	informs the King of sundry Matters	40
41	leaves London, beyond 18 Miles	
41	told he would be imprisoned	67
13	his great Powers and Titles	55. 91
—	not mortal to Human Power (<i>See Bryan's Testimony</i>)	44
—	the Roaring Lion chased out of the Wood	47
12	the Elijah to tread Princes like Potters' Clay	99
—	the Signet of Peace	33
—	a Wall of Defence to many	57
—	to produce a Sign like that of Moses	27. 88
—	to Restore the Jews	Pref. iv. 71. 79
—	his Revelation by June, 1795	88
—	Delivers the Commands of God to George III.	106
—	advises his Book to be read a second Time, Pref.	iv
—	to be at Constantinople by the 1st of July, 1795	83
—	Bryan, William, of the Tribe of Judah (<i>See his Testimony</i>)	89
—	Charles I. King of England, one Head of the third Beast	
—	of Daniel	11. 102
—	Christianity, what	41. 93
—	Day (Terrible) of the Lord	89
41	of Destruction, before May 26, 1795	97
—	Daut, Maximilian, prophesied, 1709	84
—	Death of the Emperor of Germany (<i>See Halbed's Testimony</i>)	17. 35
8	of the King of France	11. 19. 21. 42
—	of the King of Prussia	18. 40. 41
—	of the Empress of Russia (<i>Stabb'd</i>)	68

B

Death

PART I.

PAGE

PART II.

PAGE

Death of the English General in Germany	—	13
— of the King of Spain, and Another	—	68
— of a King and Queen	— 21. 43. 79. 83.	106
— of the King of Sweden, in January, 1792 (<i>Shot</i>)	—	67
— of the Imperial Family (<i>all cut off</i>)	—	19
— of Mr. Pitt and his Brother	—	21
Dragon, an European Prince (<i>Rev. xii.</i>)	—	75
Dreams and Visions, with open Signs in the Heaven	—	89
Dutch will acknowledge the French Republic	—	20
67 EARTHQUAKE,	— 24. 27. 28. 29. 30. 92.	95
Effects of all peaceable Persons to be restored	—	99
Emperor's Army to be overthrown in Italy and Netherlands	12. 16	
Emperor reduces all Germany, the Neighbouring States, and all Italy	— —	37
England is the Country Isaiah calls the North	---	99
— will be invaded	--- --- 21.	106
English may be forced to go to war for Hanover	—	21
— Government to be Annihilated by the 26th of August, 1795.	— —	97
— loose their West-India Islands	—	31
European Monarchy, the general Fall of	—	20
12 Fires of God	--- 55. 56. 66. 71.	94
French, lose their West-India Islands	—	31
— to retake Rome	--- ---	12
God, very merciful	--- --- 26. 43. 94.	107
— the only Giver of the Spirit	--- 72.	93
God's People, who	— —	96
— Seal	— —	97
49 Great Heat, Loss of Ships, Death, &c.		
Halhed (N. B.) to have his Choice of two Places, by the 20th of May, 1795	— —	107
Hanover to be Plundered, &c. by the Emperor	—	13
39 Hebrews to be Delivered, and Heathen Destroyed		
Horn (the Little One) King of Prussia	17. 37. 40	
	Holland,	

TEXTS OF SCRIPTURE

QUOTED BY

RICHARD BROTHERS.

ARRANGED ACCORDING TO THE ORDER OF THE BIBLE.

BOOK I.

PAGE.	TEXT.	SUBJECT.
	Numbers xxv. 10, 11, 12, 13.	Covenant of Peace
	Deuteron. xviii. 15, 16, 17, 18, 19.	Prophet raised up
9	— xxxii. 1—4. 21—43.	Return of the Jews.
1	Samuel iii. 2—12	Calling of Samuel
52	2 Samuel vii. 16, 17	Jewish Government.
	— xxii. 44—51	Rock of Salvation
1	Kings, xxii. 4—8. 11—23	Emperor's Council
11	Isaiah, ii. 2, 3, 4	A Prince of Peace.
	— iv. 1	The Prophet
	— iv. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	War, as now
6	— vii. 14 (Explained)	Christ's Nativity.
6	— ix. 6, 7 (Explained)	Ditto.
	— xi. 4	The Elijah
12	— xi. 1—16 (Explained)	Rod of the Stem of Jesse.
15	— xii. 1—6	Rejoicing.
	— xli. 25—29	To tread Princes
	— xli. 25	On Rebellion
16	— liv. 1—10.	Jerusalem, when rebuilt.

BOOK II

PAGE.
84
71
81
76
14
45
46
100
99
106
17 Isaiah,

BOOK I.

BOOK II.

PAGE.	TEXT.	SUBJECT.	PAGE.
37	Isaiah, lx. 1—22	New Jerusalem.	
39	— lxii. 1. 4. 8. 9. 10. 11. 13	Jerusalem, when rebuilt.	
20	— lxv. 17, 18, 19, 23. 24. 25	Great Peace and Happiness.	
20	— lxvi. 10—24	Regeneration of Man.	
22	Jeremiah, xxiii. 3—8	The Seed from the North Country.	
23	— xxxi. 1—40	Happiness and Peace.	
52	— xxxiii. 17—26	God's Promise to David.	
	— xxxvii. 9. 10	An Enemy destroyed	12
27	Ezekiel, xvi. 59. 63	The Everlasting Covenant.	
27	— xxxv. 11—24	The Sheep and Shepherd.	
28	— xxxvi. 6—8. 12. 33—38	Great Plenty.	
29	— xxxvii. 20—25	Grandeur and Extent.	
	— xlv. xlv. xlv. xlviii	A Man of God	96
5	Daniel, ix. 25, 26 (Explained)	The Messiah.	
7	— viii. 11—14	Departure of the Hebrews.	
	— vii. 2—4	George the Third	7
	— vii. 5—7	Bear and Leopards, &c.	11
	— vii. 8	Little Horn	17
	— vii. 9—25	Thrones cast down	34
	— ix. 26, 27 (Explained)	Judgment	40
	— xii. 2—10 (Explained)	The Michael	91
30	Hosea ii. 18—20. 23.	A Covenant of Peace.	
30	— iii. 4. 5	Children of Israel's Return.	
30	Joel, iii. 1. 2. 9—12. 14. 15	Swords and Spears broke.	
	— ii. 28—32	Dreams and Visions.	89
32	Amos, ix. 8—15	Building of Jerusalem.	
33	Obadiah i. 8—10. 15—21	Destruction of the Turks.	
34	Micah iv. 1. 6, 7	Mountain of the Lord.	
34	Nahum i. 15	Gospel of Peace.	
35	Zephaniah iii. 13—20	Israelites, to be pure.	
	Haggai ii.	Man of God	96
35	— ii. 20—23	Overthrow of Thrones.	
	— ii. 20—23 (Explained)	On War	32
36	Zechariah viii. 7, 8	God's People saved.	
	— viii. 20. 22, 23	Ten to take hold of One	79
		36 Zechariah	

BOOK I.

PAGE.	TEXT.	SUBJECT.	PAGE.
36	Zechariah, x. 6—10	House of Judah, &c.	
37	— xii. 1—14	Invasion of Jerufalem.	
7	— xii. 10	Spirit of Grace.	
	Malachi, iv. 1. 5	On Elijah	100
	— iv. 5, 6 (Explained)	The Elijah	55
39	— iv. 5, 6	The Elijah.	

THE APOCRYPHA.

2	Esdra, ii. 42—44.	Man on Mount Sion	95
	— xi. 36—46	Roaring Lion	47
	— xii. 10—12	The Eagle	48
	— xii. 31—34	The Lion speaking	49
	— xiii. 11	On Elijah.	100
	— xiii. 25, 26	Man from the Sea	49
	— xiii. 27—38 (Explained)	The Blast of Fire	50

NEW TESTAMENT.

	Matthew, i. 23	A Virgin with Child	72
60	— iv. 8—10	Devil tempting Christ.	
63	— v. 9	Peace Makers.	
64	— v. 19. 33—39. 43—45	On Swearing.	
	— v. 22	On Anger	62
63	— vi. 7—10	Lord's Prayer.	
	— xii. 31, 32	Sin of Blasphemy	62
	— xii. 46	Christ's Brothers	86
	— xiii. 36—56	Ditto.	86
	— xv.	On False Worship	97
	— xxv. 37—40	Imprisonment	54
		Mark,	

BOOK I.

BOOK II.

PAGE.	TEXT.	SUBJECT.	PAGE.
	Mark, vi. 2, 3	Christ's Brothers	88
	St. John, i. 1. 14	Word of God	72
65	— xii. 48	On rejecting the Gospel.	
	Acts, vii. 29—40 (Explained)	A Prophet raised	73
	1 Corinthians, ii. 12—15	Spirit of God	64
	— xiv. 37, 38	A Prophet	65
	Galatians, i. 6—9	On the Gospel	65
63	— i. 2. 8	Gospel of Peace.	
	— i. 19	Christ's Brothers	88
	Ephesians, iv. 29—32	On Corrupt Communication	63
	Colossians, ii. 8 (Explained)	Beware of Philosophy	64
	1 Thessalonians, v. 19—23	On Prophecy	64
	2 Thessalonians, i. 6—9	Jesus Revealed	66
65	— i. 7, 8	Obedying the Gospel.	
	1 Timothy, iii. 16	God manifest in the Flesh	73
65	St. James, v. 2	On Swearing.	
	Revelations, v. (Explained)	The Seals	51
	— vi. (Explained)	Four Seals	52
	— vi. 1—9 (Explained)	The Five Seals	90
	— vi. 12. 15	An Earthquake	95
49	— vii.	Great Heat.	
	— xi. 3, 4	Two Olive Trees, &c.	25
	— xi. 7, 8	Dead Bodies	26
	— xi. 11—14	The Three Days and a Half.	27
	— xi. 15	Kingdoms of the Lord	108
	— xii. (Explained)	The Child to Govern	75
	— xiii. 1—3 9+11, 12. 17.	On Blasphemy	101
	— xiv. 1. 6. 8, 9	Lamb on Mount Sion	104
	— xvi. 1, 2. 4. 10	Vials of Wrath	105
	— xvi. 13, 14. 16	Three Unclean Spirits	28
	— xvi. 17—20	Earthquake	30
54	— xvii. 1, 2	Idolatry of Rome.	
45	— xvii. 2, 3 (Explained)	Judgments.	
56	— xvii. 3—6	Blasphemous Titles.	

Revelation ,

BOOK I.

BOOK II.

PAGE.	TEXT.	SUBJECT.	PAGE.
60	Revelations, xvii. 7, 8	Beast of Seven Heads, &c.	
61	— xvii. 9—14	Rome and Seven Mountains.	
67	— xvii. 15—17	Pope and Cardinals.	
40	— xviii. 1—8	Judgment of God.	
45	— xviii. 21 (Exp.) 11—20	Earthquake, Merchandise of London.	
	— xix. 10—21	War	9
48	— xix. 17, 18	Judgments.	
	— xxi. 6. 8.	Idolatry and Lyars	105
50	— xix. vii. xvi. vi. viii. and xiv.	On Judgments.	

The above is according to the Edition printed Feb. 20, 1795.

G. RIEBAU.

PREDICTIONS,

AS EXTRACTED FROM

MR. BROTHERS'S SECOND BOOK,

WHICH ARE

ACTUALLY FULFILLED,

Page

- 8 **T**HE Death of Louis XVI. not to be prevented—predicted
May, 1792.
Beheaded the 21st of January, 1793.
- 23 Monarchy in France not to be preserved—predicted May, 1792.
*In April, 1795, the very last remains of the Royalists in Bri-
tany, &c. capitulated and acknowledged the French Republic.*
- 9 This War will be Death to Millions—predicted 11th April, 1792.
*France alone has already fulfilled this Prophecy, nor are the
Allied Powers without their share.*
- 17 The King of Prussia will acknowledge the French Republic,
and also make Peace with it—predicted 11th April, 1794.
He has done so at Basle, 5th April, 1795.
- 18 Russia will Quarrel with the Poles, and devour great Numbers
of them—predicted 11th April, 1794.
Fulfilled in Autumn, 1794.

The

PAGE

18 The Government of Poland will be entirely changed—predicted
11th April, 1794.

*The King of Poland was driven from his Capital, and a sort of
Provisional Government established by the Empress of Russia
in January, 1795.*

19 The Stadtholdership of Holland will be cut off close to the
Ground—predicted 11th April, 1794.

*So decreed by the New Provisional Dutch States, 16th February
1795.*

20 The Dutch will acknowledge the French Republic—predicted
11th April, 1794.

Fulfilled the End of January, 1795.

— And also make a hasty Peace with it—predicted 11th April, 1794.
News of this expected every Day.

— England to be deserted by all her Allies—predicted 11th April,
1794.

Prussia and Holland gone, the rest going.

21 The War with France foretold before it was intended—pre-
dicted 12th May, 1792.

Commenced in Spring, 1793.

31 France will lose all her West India Islands—predicted 27th
June, 1792.

Fulfilled in 1794.

39 The Combined Austrian and Prussian Armies to fail—predicted
May and June, 1792.

*30th September, 1792, the King of Prussia began his Retreat
from France.*

43 The People would not believe, and Mr. Brothers would be
despised and made suffer—predicted in Spring, 1791, see 1st
Book, page 41.

*Arrested 4th March, 1795. Verdict of Lunacy 17th March.
Sent to a private Mad-house 4th May.*

82 In seven Days more the Judgment will be on this Nation—
predicted 25th June, 1794.

*These seven Days mean seven Months, (explained by Mr. Bro-
thers)*

thers) and reach from 25th June to 25th January, 1795, when the French entered Holland—one of the severest Blows England could possibly experience!

- 89 William Bryan predicted to testify publicly of Mr. Brothers—
26th October, 1794.

Fulfilled 25th February, 1795, and Bryan acknowledged to have been compelled to do it by the Spirit of God over-ruling his natural Will.

- Numbers of Men and Women will also be influenced to give the same public Testimonies, and open Visions and Dreams will be given to Numbers—predicted 26th October, 1794.

For these three Months past the Shop of Mr. Riebau, Bookseller, in the Strand, has produced almost every Day a fresh Accomplishment of this Prediction.

- 98 Prisoners in Confinement for High Treason, asserted to be innocent—predicted October, 1794.

Hardy, the first who was tried, was acquitted 5th November, 1794—the others subsequently.

- Property of the Peaceable to be restored to them, though confiscated—as in France—predicted October, 1794.

Fulfilled by a Decree of the Convention about the Beginning of January, 1795.

- A Blast from God to confound the Councils of Government—predicted 26th October, 1794.

Witness the Affairs of Ireland in April, 1795.

The above are corrected up to the 12th of May, 1795.